



# What is the NEPA process?

The S.R. 108 environmental study must meet requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). NEPA governs transportation decisions that impact the human and natural environment, and requires that potential impacts are evaluated before a project decision is made.

## PUBLIC SCOPING

*The public, state and federal agencies help identify ideas and concerns to review in the EIS.*

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

*The project team evaluates ideas, and analyzes alternatives and their potential impacts.*

## DRAFT EIS

*The draft EIS is released to the public and agencies for 45-day review and comment period.*

## FINAL EIS

*The comments received to the draft EIS are addressed and a final EIS is released for 30-day review and comment period.*

## RECORD OF DECISION

*The deciding agencies consider the EIS findings and public comments when determining which alternative to approve. FHWA selects an alternative.*

